## GOVERNMENT GOSSIP.

Events of Interest In and About the Departments.

CONDITION OF THE BANKS.

Report of the Secretary of the Library Commission.

The President to day appointed: H. Y. Hardin of Kentucky, to be Register of the Land Office at Buffalo, Wyoming.

Local Patents Insued.—F. B. Brock, driving belt; Frank W. Cross, cuts for presess and a ship's binnacle; Willard D. Borenus, lock and combined latch and lock, and dames Lude, a carburretor.

The Dynamite Gun Experiments.—The Despatch will convey Secretary Whitney, members of the Naval Committee of Congress and a few owal afficient from New York to Sandy Hook to-day to witness the dynamite gun experiments.

Bids for Steel Guns. - The following Bids for Steel Guns. — The following proposals were opposed at the Navy Depart-ment to-day: Pittsburg Steel Casting Com-pany, one Beassurer steel gun, rough borad and turned, \$3,000; Standard Steel Casting Company of Pennsylvania, one open-hearth steel gun, rough bored and turned, \$5,000.

The Postmaster-General's Report—
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The Postmaster-General has notified his assistants that he will not return to Washington usuit siter the President's Western trip,
and therefore he proposes to go to work at
once on his annual report. He has requested them to prepare their annual statements, upon which he hases his annual report, and forward them to him not later
than the end of the present month. To
carry out these instructions the clerical
force will be required to be unusually diligent, as there is a large amount of data not
yet in working form.

Condition of the Posts.

Secretary Bayard called at the White Heung to-day.

Secretary Fairchild is in New York and, will remain there exvers days.

Eccretary Whitney is expected at the Navy Department September 22.

Treasury receipts to-day: Internal revenue, \$205.50 52; customs, \$505.741 01.

medical reunion at New Britain.

Mr. Manniog, the American Minister to Mexico, is about to visit the United States on a two months' leave of absence.

Concal Baker reports to the State Department that Terra del Fuego contains valuable farming lands, forests and mineral deposits. The naives are sthictic and comparatively intelligent. The Argentine Government is preparing to colourse and develop the Islands.

civing payment of arrows of taxes, some of them going as far back as 1800. The instead of the control of the co contag payment of arrears of taxes, some

a three-cornered controversy before them this morning: The interests of the hotel this morning: The interests of the hotel men who have cabestands at their hotels, the men who furnish these cabs and the livery stable men who are not allowed to place their cals on these stands at the hotels. Mr. Wash Natior was instruments in bringing the matter before the Commissioner's attention from time to time. It claims that the authorities have no right to discriminate in favor of any liveryman, and if it is unfawful for him to put his cabs at the hotels if it is unfawful for him to put his cabs at the hotels if it is unfawful for him to put his cabs at this hotels if it is unfawful for him to find hotels, and will be a stable and will are receives nearly \$20.00 per anount for the privilege of standing his cabs at this hotel All sides were hard from, and the Commissioners will shurtly render a decision in the matter.

The Commissioners had a conference

The Commissioners had a conference with the First Comptroller this afternoon in

Burt by a Fatting Pote. This morning about To'clock, while the men employed by the Electric Light Com-

What Colonel Andrews Says of Golder State Affairs. Colonel A. Andrews and wife of San Francisco are at the Ebbitt. Shortly after Colonel Andrews had registered after Colonel Andrews had registered he was approached by a Catrio man who asked for a talk on California politics. "Certainly," said Colonel Andrews, "take a seat and I'll tell you anything I know. Of course, you know I am a Democrat, and I can tell you what we think of the President in the Golden State. We worked hand for Democratic success in '84, and I must law Mr. Corolland the titles was referred.

you what we think of the President in the Golden State. We worked hard for Democratic success in '84, and I must say Mr. Cleveland at that time was not an ideal Democrat. In fact, the first few menths of his administration displeased us very much. But now everything is changed and his name whenever mentioned is greeted with the warmest enthusiasm.

"We have found him to be an honest and fearless President, and he sticks to his principles with a trancity that is truly wonderful. Since a bas been in the White House we've elected a Democratic Governor, which is considered a good omen for the Democracy. Lieutenant-Governor Waterman, who is a pronounced Republican, will, now that Governor Bartlett is dead, take the reins. He has promised that no changes will be made in the offices and I believe him. I am the Paymaster-General on the Governor's staff and have held similar positions for a number of years. Do I believe that M. Cleveland can car r California next year? Most assuredly I do. The only reason why she went for Blaine in '84 was owing to his well known opposition to Chinese immigration. I left home a little over a month ago, and since that time I ve traveled through the Western States, and I am surprised at the large number of Republicans! met who said to me that if Cleveland was renominated they would vote for him, because he had kept faith with the people and had carried out the best he country. Perhaps you have noticed the change in sontiment toward the President which was held some time since by certain leading Democrats, Well, all that indicates that his party has come at last to understand him and they find that he has made the continuance of the Democratic party in power a possibility."

Colonel Andrews and wife will call on the President to-day. It will be the

An Annecountable Assault By a De-Partment Clerk.
Shortly before 2 o'clock this after-

noon Andrew J. Laird of the Adjutant-General's Office called at the Surgeon-General's office and asked to see Dr. Z.

As the latter came out of his room, Laird rushed at him, and said, with an cather the am going to kill you," and plunged a kaife into his right eye, severing the supra orbital artery. Laird and James Long, who was with blun, were both arrested and locked up at the First Precinct. When

Paniel had viciated every obligation of Masonry and friendship, and that is all there is to it."

Dr. Dantel said: "I have no idea what provoked the assault; we have been life long friends. Unless it is that I refused to renew my indorrement on some of his notes, I can't account for it."

He is painfully but not seriously wounded.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Movements of Familiar People at Home and Abroad.

-E. B. Sanorse T. mion, Edg., is stop-ping at Willards.

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-Mn. Leo Mos. to Passons of Boston are at the Holder and comparatively intelligent. The Argentine invertment is preparing to colouize and levelop the telands.

LISTRICT GOVERNMENT REWS.

The Collector is kept busy at present cases of taxes, some String payment of arrears of taxes, some Strings.

-Mns. Millis, wife of Congressman Miller and Capon Springs.

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Springs.

—Mns J. R. Enno and family and Commander A. G. Kellogg are in town again from Forest Glen.

—Changes T. Murmay, the newspaper correspondent, is home again after a three months' absence abroad.

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-Ex-Governon Shiermann, "the reconstructor of Washington," as the New York
Star calls him, is at the triliey House, New
York.

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York.

-COLONEL CITABLES P. Lancoun of Capitol Hill, who has been ill for the past week with maintail fover, is improving and hopes to be out in a few days.

-HERNIY E. HANNO, correspondent of the Memphis Appeal and others papers, who went to London to attend the marriage of his shor, has returned to Washington.

-REGISTRIED IN New York last evening: Senator McTherson at the Brevoort; Senator logals at the Fifth Avenue; Senator Eastle at the Brandwick, Mr. Carter, the Hawalian Minister, at the Evenut.

-Mr. JANES C. DUFFT, on old Washington boy, is with the Wilhar Opera Company. Mr. Duffy will be remembered as the original Acesine to "Pinatore," and will spear in that role Saturday night.

-JACOB S. SHERTZ Of this city and Missiola Tanner, daughter of Sanuel F. Tanner of Shepherdatum, W. Va., were married in the Episcopial Church at the latter piace last evening.

-COLONEL AND Mas WillerON Power Player have returned from the player of the piace last evening.

the Episcopal Church at the latter place last eventing.

— COLONEL AND Mas Wheron FLIRE have returned from a wish to the Thousand letunds and a trip down the Gulf of St. Lawrence, around to Hallfax, Nova Scotla. They attended the marting of the American Library Association.

— JEROM JOSEPH MAGUPPIN, Collector of Customs at El Paso, secompanied by the wife, daughter, Miss Anneste lawer, and Miss Kate Hugue are in the city, having just completed a very pleasant trip through the East. The Judge has a legion of friends here, where he passed his early boyloosi days, and has been the recipient of extended hospitalities. The youing latter of the party will nater the Georgetown Convention the entities of the party will nater the Georgetown Convention the entitled from the Convention of the Charlesian Complexities.

The Flumbers to Contest.

The nureristered plumbers who failed to pass the examination held by the bound of examiners appointed by the Commissioners will pursue their trade and make a text case of the right of the authorities to refuse them to do business.

A Large and Enthusiastic Meeting at National Rifles' Hall.

THE BALL SET IN MOTION.

Unanimous Sentiment in Payor of a Grand Demonstration of Welcome.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Mind on the Subject.

## PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS.

Such a gathering of old residents of the District has not been known for many a dag as that seen at the National Rifles' Armory last night.

As early as 7 o'clock groups of prominent citizens were sountering into the beautifully-decorated ball-room on the second floor of the Armory. It was a 'imeeting of the claus,' and it was a pleasure to see the hearty hand-shakes of the men who from community of feeling toward Governor Shepherd were in thorough sympathy

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As the half filled the enthualasm rose with the temperature.

The hearty good will shown for Governor Shepherd and the pleasure universally expressed at the near prospect of welcoming him back to the city he did so much for, would—could the ex-Governor have been present and witnessed them—undoubtedly have given him keener pleasure, in the assurance that his friends have not forgotten him, then any pageant which may be organized for his edification.

Old acqualatances were renewed in talking of the old times, when the name of Shepherd was the most promisent one in the affairs of the District. Until after 8 o clock the hum of conversation was uninterrupted.

At 8-45 Hallet Kilbourn stood, up in

of the hall.

Hearty applause greeted Colonel
Berret as he took his place on the stage.
He paid a high tribute to Governor
Shepherd's work. The speaker was
several times later-apic dby applause,
and those of his auditors who were lax payers—a very large majority— were especially appreciative when Colonel Berretspoke of the large sums

Colonel Berret spoke of the large sums expended in improvements during Governor Shephent's time.

Then Hallet Kitb sure was nominated and manimously elected secretary, and taking a chair by the table on the stage he and Chairman. Berret monopolized the stoge the rest of the evening. The chairs for prominent citizens arranged, in a sond circle back of the chairman's desk were not accupied.

When Scoretary Kilbourn had taken his place Chairman Berret stated that it would be proper for some one to offer a resolution.

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Mr. Wittiam E. Mattingly was one of those who had decided what an appropriate demonstration would be said to neco-stingly carbodical it in the clowing resolution:

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Mr. Mattingly did not anticipate saying anything, but made a next speech, which was cordially applanded. He thought the fluncial part of the arrangements should not be neglected.

The resolution was unanimously adonted.

some subcommittees.

The number of the committeemen was objected to and an amendment offered raising the number to twenty-

Not satisfied with the vice race vote, and calling for a division, those in faror of the amendment were outvoted thout five to one.

The following resolution was then arried:

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Secretary Kilbourn received this dispatch from Washingtonians detained in Providence:

Provinces: B. I. Sept. 19. 1887.

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Increase W. R. Smith, F. R. Ward.

The tologram was read from the stage and was enthusiastically applicable.

Jawyer C. C. Lancaster arose and said that it was very appropriate that Washington people should give Governor Shepherd an expression of wastic ball of the freedom of the depoint of the European method and alvocated the presentialon to Governor Shepherd of the Freedom of the city, symbolized by two golden keys.

Mr. Lancaster thought that this henor, which had never been conferred upon any one by any American city, would please Governor Shephard more season and thought

THE SHEPHERD OVATION. and this ceremony would please him (Governor Shepherd) more than diquers

(Governor Shepherd) more than dinners or fireworks. When Mr. Lancaster offered his resolution embodying these ideas every one seemed so impressed with his speech that they forgot to second his resolution. When the chairman spoke of the oversight four men seconded the motion simultaneously.

It was suggested that the resolution be referred to the Executive Committee, to which Mr. Lancaster agreed. The septiment of the meeting seemed to be in favor of the resolution, and the idea will, perhaps, be carried out, though as no vote was taken it is impossible to be sure.

ernor Shepherd's reception made a public holiday if there was any way in which it could be done. Mr. Wolf went on to tell how he had always stood by Governor Shepherd, and he told of his admiration for the ex-Governor personally and his appreciation of the good he had done the city. He said Governor Shepherd had been harshly criticised, but he (Mr. Wolf) always knew the day would come when justice would be done, and that day had come. Governor Shepherd left Washington with empty pockets and comes back with them well filled. (Volce: "Hear! Hear:" Mr. Wolf had been acrossed and seem the same thing in other countries. He had told the Calro people that Ismail Pasha was the Governor Shepherd of the Orient.

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the Orlent.

The improvements made in Washington by Governor Shaphard would asterish the heals of foreign nations.

[Applause]

Mr. Wolf thought the couning dem MI. Wolf thought the country demonstration should be a popular one, and not, like the former one, participated in only by the Governor's friends. He wanted the affair to be expensive and he would not neglect to hear his share of the expense. [Applause.]
THE MATTER OF FINANCES.

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Chairman Berret said he wanted to see the Executive Committee well supported financially by the people, and

ported financially by the people, and said that the celebration should be recognized and aided by the District Commissioners.

B. L. Blackford uggested that the chairman write to Governor Stepherd to ascertain the date of his arrival.

The chairman said the Governor would arrive the first week in next month, and the Executive Committee could get more exact information when they wanted it.

"Colonel" Charles Moore said that of the nine gentlemen who had spoken he

"Colonel" Charles Moore said that of the nine gentlemen who had spoken he was the seventh lawyer. He ownesd his ability as a lawyer by saying that it was money that made the world go around, and wished the chairman to call for contributions. Money would be necessary to make the project a success.

be necessary to make the project a success.

To this the chairman did not agree. He said one of the most important duties of the Executive Committee would be to provide ways and means. A subcommittee would be appointed to take subscriptions, and all money should be paid to this committee. The committee not yet having been appointed, no subscriptions could be received.

The various committees will be announced through the press in a day or so, after consultation with other gentle men interested in the matter. He thought there would be no scarcity of money.

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J. M. Graly colacided in the views expressed by Mr. Moore and thought! best to strike while the iron is bot. He offered to start the ball rolling with \$25 from Saks & Co.

A motion to sulpoint was then carried, and the meeting ended with observe.

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Popular Subscriptions Suggested

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nything or not.

I have few apquaintances in Washingto out not many friends, but I think: I coul-able a short or two of the proposed too-nd easily raise \$100. There are those win

Washington, September 20. Chat With Congressman Oates, r absolute absolute; He said that artists would understudied by the peaker. So far as Mr Raschall would see in a consistency in a count of the Raschall and the peaker. He was the far a count of the question. He was tabling of the kind.

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AN IMPORTANT MEETING.

the Wharves and Ballroads.
The Guzzens' Association, No. 1, of
South Washington held a mosting irenight at St. Dominie's Halt, C. B.
Church presiding. The object of the the Committee on Harbors and Wharver. The report says that by to cent improvements of the river from the total amount of business of the Washington Channel has been brough, within the limits of the Lorar Bridge and the U. S. Arsenal, and that every available foot of water front between wealtable foot of water front between these points is now occupied by wharves, and notwithtanding that fast the large factures in the river traffic has been such as to make the present whiteves botally inadminate, and they recommend that Congress be pertitioned in behalf of this need.

The following statistics show the amount of husbers done at the wharves from July 1 1980 to June 1, 1887;

curin, Sept. 20.—On Friday and Salar last forme women, unobserved by the loc, distributed 20,000 Socialist pamph about the streets of this city.

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Captain Goldarit's Will.
The will of Captain James Goldard, de-crased, filed to day, haves his estate to his children.

# THE MAIN BREAKS AGAIN.

Residents of the Northwest Suffer Another Water Famine.

THE BIG PIPE EXPLORED.

Authorities

When the work of the day was finished on the Latreet water-main yesterday there was a reasonable expectation that he worst of the difficulty was over. At 11 o'clock last night, however, the water again broke through, the street was flooded, the

disaley, Warry and Writtlinest - are ready for excellance. The place is croupleding them is a second of the furniture notary civing the line.

To-day these proofs having beliefs of al-minion, physician forms (vo. at the proof-chasts. The TTO hours reading to be as talked for asket to page.

Business was resumed in the Corporatio Course was resumed in the corporation. Cours to day.

Messus. Breen & Feelig of this city ha egone to South Caroffina to sure the formulations for a number of intiges for the C. and A. B. R., for which they have received the contrast.

It is thought by the physicians who desired in the contrast of the physicians who desired in the contrast of the physician with the course the series of the V. M. E. B. some time and, that he will remain a cripple for the balance of the life.

LATEST TELEGRAMS CONDENSEO. The Seventian Frank Ladge of OQLAND we led in section in Denver, that

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# ANTI-CUBAN PLOTS.

A Cartinad of Dynamits Discovered in Key West. Key West, PiA., Sept. 20.—A cart-

Kar What, First, Sept. 20.—A carti-lead of dynamite, enough to blow up Havans, was discovered hidden in the woods near this city yesterday. The dis-covery has created great exclument, proving that the plot against Cuba is much more formidable than at first supposed. A little dynamite was found unmodiately after Aguero's expedition detect.

supposed. A fille dynamic was found municipally after Aguara's expedition started.

Yesterday the Kee Call printed private advices from Cubs to the effect that Berlhen, the fillihuster, and his band are safe in the Cuban mountains. In embarking from the best which carried his party over, Berlben past a suit of clothes, in the pockets of which were a number of his private safes which were a number of his private safes and other papers. This bundle teing found by one Perre, an escaped country, who was aforward explared and hither by the Spanish soldiers, was found in the fellow's possession. The day of the convint was brought to Mittainess and palaced off for that of feetben, Inc. Havana press then published the accounts of the day of the Spanish network, the fell says. Bertien, and his recommend, now numbering several hundred men, well mounted are in the Camaricos. They will shortly be foliced by other friendly forms. Herton and his followers are in the spirits and far clowers. They will shortly be foliced by other friendly forms. Bertien and his followers are in the spirits and great health."

Robert Finkerton Benies the Charges

Proof Convention of Building Trades

A Number of Blattilleries Close 1. Thomas, 11.1., Sept. 20.—As a result of the whise purpose of the whise trust, a number of third whise trust, a number of the Whise trust, a number of the Whise trust, and the purpose of the Pouria Charlieries indicated correspondingly, so that has had any committee of grain has beforeas from Mail desease to 20.000 brailes. The formation to over a million desare. The formation of the whise which we manufactures to be a perfectly a proposed the trust to manufacture. The formation of the whise when the substitute of the substitut

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